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## NINE SHIPS SUNK UPON ATLANTIC IN HUON RAID

### GERMAN HORDES HELD IN CHECK IN THEIR DRIVE ON PARIS

#### STORMY SESSION BROUGHT ABOUT BY VITAL BILL

Legislature Stirred Over Question of Naming of Members of Council of Defense for This State

Near the close of a session in which the mental caliber rivaled that indicated by the thermometer exposed in the sun about the capitol building, the senate passed a council of defense bill, nominally the Claypool bill. It was at once signed and sent to the house where under a suspension of the rules it was advanced to the order of second reading and ordered to the printer.

The bill was passed by the senate probably without a member of that house. The Claypool bill as it was originally presented gave to the governor the absolute control of the state council. It tended to make it a partisan body by making ex-officio members, the president of the senate and the speaker of the house as well as the attorney general and the adjutant general.

Later a bill prepared by the present state council of defense was submitted to the appropriations committee, having charge of the Claypool bill. The new bill had the approval of the national council of defense. The committee adopted the greater part of the text of it but left the organization of the council as proposed by the Claypool bill but slightly changed. The committee gave the measure the name of the Claypool bill and eliminated the president, the speaker and the adjutant general from membership of the committee. In this form it was reported, on Saturday was acted upon favorably in the committee of the whole, and yesterday afternoon came up for third reading.

Names Approved By Counties Just what might have happened to it but for an episode in the morning session that harrowed the feelings of the senators, is impossible to say. Mr. Clodwell of Pima moved for a sweeping amendment of the first section removing entirely from the governor the appointment of the 14 members, each of whom are to be approved by the board of supervisors of his county.

Mr. Roberts offered an amendment providing for the appointment of the members each to be approved by the board of supervisors of his county. That was opposed on the ground that it would really take nothing from the power of the governor. The Roberts amendment was defeated by a vote of 7 to 1.

New Amendment Suggested In the course of the debate on this amendment Mr. Butler had stated that

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#### ENEMY PLANE COMES DOWN BEHIND LINES

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, June 3.—(By The Associated Press.)—Lieut. Skipper Sewall of Bath, Maine, today shot down an enemy two-seater airplane inside the American lines northwest of Toul, after a thrilling fight in which six German and three American pilots participated.

One of the American patrol flights was intercepted and attacked. After fifteen minutes the machine guns rattled and many soldiers on the ground stood and watched the maneuvers of the aircraft. They saw one enemy leave the formation and an American chase plane upon it. Both aviators were hit twice but was not damaged. The American pilot is certain that he hit the German which then started to retreat.

It was here that Lieutenant Sewall dashed into the fray. He fought down the German from 5,000 meters to two hundred meters and finally brought it down in a field.

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In three other flights today German machines were driven off. In the fighting the American pilots believe they got at least one enemy biplane.

After long inactivity, an artillery duel broke out this morning northwest of Toul. It lasted several hours, both American and German batteries letting loose everything they had. The Germans used much gas and high explosives.

#### FRENCH COUNTER ATTACKS GAIN IN SOISSON SALIENT

(Associated Press War Summary Received Over Republican A. P. Leased Wire.) ALTHOUGH it cannot be said that the Germans in their new offensive have been definitely stopped there is, nevertheless, a marked diminution in the speed with which they started out and their gains since Saturday have been relatively small when compared with those of previous days.

Great Price Paid for All Small Gains According to the accounts of unofficial observers, wherever they have been able since the stiffening of the allied lines, to attain new positions, an exorbitant price in lives has been exacted from them. So great have been the casualties suffered that the Prussian guards' division—the pride of the German crown prince—is declared to have been withdrawn from the battle.

French Even Retaking Some Lost Ground Particularly hard fighting again has been in progress between Soissons and Chateau Thierry, where the Germans are endeavoring to push forward toward Paris, but not alone have the French troops almost everywhere successfully withstood the onslaught, but on several sectors themselves have taken the initiative and gained ground. As a whole the situation along this line is relatively unchanged.

German Line Being Held The German war office at last has admitted that the allied line on the west has been reinforced by fresh units, but it asserts that they have not been able to hold the positions to which they were assigned. Nevertheless, the fact is patent from an observation of the war maps that almost everywhere in this region the German line, for the moment at least, is being held.

No Change to Eastward From Chateau Thierry eastward along the Marne and thence to Reims the situation is virtually unchanged from that of Sunday.

The enemy now holds the northern bank of the Marne for a distance of about 15 miles, but as yet he has made no serious endeavor to cross the stream.

Little fighting aside from the usual small attacks and raids, the British are taking place on the Flanders front. The British have carried out successful raids on several sectors here and taken nearly 300 prisoners.

American Airmen Win American aviators are giving a good account of themselves over the battle line in France. Since April 14, when they first took the air in offensive operations, they have shot down at least 32 enemy planes and themselves have only lost seven.

Volunteer recruits to the number of 40,000 for immediate service with the Irish divisions are asked for by the lord lieutenant of Ireland in a proclamation. After this recruitment, 2,000 to 3,000 men monthly are asked for to maintain the Irish divisions. Legislation giving hand to men who fight for their country is promised in the proclamation.

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#### SURVIVORS TELL STORY OF BEING SUB. PRISONERS

"Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea" Is Not Ahead of Graphic Story of Victims of U Boat

(Republican A. P. Leased Wire) NEW YORK, June 3.—Forty-eight survivors of vessels sunk by German U-boats brought to port today by a coastwise steamship were landed tonight. About half of them had been prisoners for several days aboard the submarines.

The survivors were from the steamship Winnie Connel and the schooners Hattie Dunn and Edna. Twelve more survivors of the schooners Hauppauge and Isabel B. Wiley, who were making for shore in a motor yawl last night are believed to have landed somewhere further down the coast.

Captain Charles E. Holbrook, commander of the Hattie Dunn, said that his vessel had been sunk May 25 and he and his crew taken prisoners by the submarine.

The vessel which brought in the 48 survivors was an American steamship which picked them up at 9 o'clock this morning 25 miles from Barnegat, New Jersey.

Captain Holbrook of the Hattie Dunn whose home is at Tenants Harbor, Maine, told the following story of how he and his men had been kept prisoners for eight days on the submarine.

Sea Tale Wonderful "We were about 15 miles south of Winter Quarter lightship. I heard a shell pass near the vessel. Then came another shell, which fell perhaps a quarter of a mile away.

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#### Naval Experts Believe That Five U Boats Have Been Used In Attack Upon Defenseless Shipping Along The Atlantic Coast: No Ship Sunk Without Any Warning

(Republican A. P. Leased Wire) NEW YORK, June 3.—Nine American vessels were known tonight to have been sunk by German submarines off the north Atlantic coast since May 25. The largest to fall prey to the raiders, which are seeking to prevent the sailing of transports with troops for the battle fields of France, was the New York and Porto Rico liner Carolina of 8,000 tons which was attacked Sunday night about 125 miles southeast of Sandy Hook. The fate of her 200 passengers and crew of 130 who took to the boats when shells began to fall about the vessel was unknown late tonight, but there was hope they had been picked up by some passing ship or would reach shore safely in the small boats. Not a life was lost in the sinkings of the other ships, according to the late reports tonight.

Besides the Carolina the known victims of the U boats are the Atlantic Refining company tanker Herbert L. Pratt, the steamship Winneconne of 1,800 tons and six schooners, the largest of which was the Hauppauge, a new ship of 1,000 tons, and the Edward H. Cole. The crews of these eight vessels have been landed at Atlantic ports.

Reports brought ashore by the survivors indicated that the Winneconne and nearly all the schooners were sunk by the same U boat which had been lurking in the path of shipping off the New Jersey coast and the Delaware capes since late last month. The stories told by the skippers of the schooners indicated that the commander of the submersible was unusually human for a German submarine officer. In no instance, so far as known, was a life boat shelled and in all cases reported the crews were given opportunity to escape or were taken aboard the submarine where some of them were kept prisoners for eight days before they were turned adrift to be picked up by a passing vessel.

#### Brief Facts Submarine Raid

FIVE U-BOATS (Republican A. P. Leased Wire) NORFOLK, Va., June 3.—Naval officers here said tonight their reports indicated five German submarines had been operating along the Atlantic coast and that two had been sighted off the Virginia capes.

Rear Admiral Fletcher, commandant of the Norfolk navy yard, said two U-boats had been sighted off the coast of New Jersey and one off the coast of North Carolina. Neither officer had been advised of any engagement between American warships and the U-boats.

STEAMER TEXEL SUNK ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., June 3.—The steamer Texel was sunk by a German submarine Sunday afternoon, 60 miles off the coast. The crew of 35 men landed here tonight.

The Texel was an American steamer and was bound from Porto Rico to New York with 42,000 bags of sugar when she fell in with the German submarine.

BOSTON PORT OPEN BOSTON, June 3.—The port of Boston was closed for an hour or more by naval authorities today after receipt of first reports of submarines off the coast, but was reopened later to all shipping.

GOOD NEWS UNCONFIRMED NEW YORK, June 3.—Officers of the naval intelligence bureau were understood late today to be trying to confirm reports that an engagement took place between American destroyers and German submarines off the Virginia coast this afternoon.

LIFEBOATS SIGHTED NEW YORK, June 3.—Three lifeboats filled with persons and other lifeboats apparently empty were seen about 35 miles off Beach Haven, N. J., this afternoon by a government airplane. Coastguard cutters have gone to the rescue.

MYSTERIOUS PIGEON NEW YORK, June 3.—A mysterious carrier pigeon flying from the ocean

#### BOCHE STILL TRIES FEROCIOUS ATTACKS

WITH THE FRENCH ARMY IN FRANCE, June 3.—(By The Associated Press.)—In the center of the battle line from Verneuil to Reims the Germans are still making the most violent efforts to go forward, and the fighting continued all yesterday to the south of Ville-en-Tardenois with give and take results.

Parted on the News "They also said that a Whitehead torpedo factory had been blown up in Austria last week. The engineer that ran the Diesel engine told me that he had been an engineer on the passenger steamship George Washington of the North German Lloyd line, which plied

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